IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE OF
ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE D.S.R.VARMA
AND
THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE D.APPA RAO

TAKEN UP WRIT PETITION NO. 4389 OF 2007

Dated : March 29, 2007

Between:

A.Venkateswarlu and another

Petitioners

AND

The Station House Officer,
Golkonda Police Station,
Hyerabad and others

Respondents

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ORAL ORDER: **(per THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE D.S.R. VARMA)**

Heard the learned Government Pleader for Home, representing the learned Advocate General, appearing for the respondents.

2. The complaint in this writ petition is that since the son-in-law of the petitioner was not traceable, who is allegedly involved in the offence punishable under the provisions of Negotiable Instruments Act, he has been absconding for sometime, the police Golkonda Police Station went to the house of the petitioner at about 5.30 p.m. on 02.02.2007 and picked them up illegally and took them to the Police Station and harassing them. It is stated that the petitioner came to know in the Police Station that a complaint was lodged against their son-in-law for the offence alleged to have been committed under Negotiable Instruments Act. It is also alleged that at the Police Station, the petitioner A. Venkateswarlu, a senior citizen, was beaten mercilessly, due to which some damage was caused and the police are insisting the petitioners to disclose the whereabouts of their son-in-law.

3. It is not the case of the petitioners that their son-in-law, as such, was taken away by the police, by force. It is their case that they are being harassed at the Police Station by the police, insisting them to disclose the whereabouts of their son-in-law, as if the petitioners know

the whereabouts of the missing person.

4. In view of these facts, we do not find any merit in the writ petition. Consequently, the writ petition fails and is accordingly dismissed the stage of admission. However, there shall be no order as to costs.

5. However, if the petitioners have any grievance about the highhanded or illegal action by way of physical assault by the police at the Police Station, they are at liberty to lodge a complaint before the appropriate functionary, in accordance with law.

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D.S.R.Varma, J.

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D.Appa Rao, J.

March 29, 2007
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